

jc781 U.S. PTO  
10/06/00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK  
OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILING  
(RULE 53(b)(1))

A

For Design or Utility Applications

Rule 53(b)(1) PATENT APPLICATION:

(DO NOT USE FOR CIPs)

- ☐ Continuation )  
application under 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)
- ☒ Divisional )  
application under 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)  
of pending prior application of

Group Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: G. Leffers, Jr.

Inventor(s): ELISCHEWSKI et al.

Parent Appln. No.: 09 416,756  
Series Code ↑ Serial No. ↑

Atty. Dkt. PM 268418 980101BT  
New M# Client Ref

Parent Filed: October 12, 1999

This Appln. Filed: October 6, 2000

Title: Process for the Preparation of Panthothenic Acid by Amplification of Nucleotide Sequences which  
Code for Ketopantoate Reductase

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Date: October 6, 2000  
(Parent Matter No. 264055 )

Sir:

To effect the above-requested filing today:

**Attached** is a copy (**which must be filed**) of the prior application, including:

- ☒ Abstract
- ☒ Specification and claims (53 pages) (**must be attached**)
- ☒ Drawings (**must be attached if originally filed**): 9 sheet(s)/set: ☐ 1 set informal;  
☒ Formal of size ☒ A4 ☐ 11"

Always X one box, only:

- (1) ☒ Copy of Signed declaration or oath as originally filed in prior application attached
- (2) ☐ NO declaration or fee is enclosed; therefore, this is a filing under Rule 53(f).

2. ☐ This application is hereby filed by less than all of the inventors named in the prior application. Petition is hereby made requesting deletion as inventor(s) of the following who is/are **not** inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this application (**DELETE THE FOLLOWING INVENTOR(S)**):

1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____
5. _____	6. _____
7. _____	8. _____

2.5 THE INVENTOR(S) FOR THIS NEW APPLICATION IS(ARE):

1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____
5. _____	6. _____
7. _____	8. _____

3. The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated therein by reference thereto.

4. ☒ Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 based on filing in Germany of \_\_\_\_\_ (country)

	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>		<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
(1)	<u>198 46 499.1</u>	<u>October 9, 1998</u>	(2)	_____	_____
(3)	_____	_____	(4)	_____	_____
(5)	_____	_____	(6)	_____	_____

a. ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ (No.) Certified copy/copies attached.

b. ☒ Certified copy/copies previously filed on December 20, 1999 in  
U.S. Application No. 09/416,756, filed on October 12, 1999.  
series code  $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$  serial no.

c. ☐ Certified copy/copies filed during International stage of PCT/ \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

4. (a) ☐ Domestic priority is claimed from \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_  
PCT/

(b) ☐ Benefit is claimed of Provisional Application No. 60/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

5. ☒ Prior application is assigned to Degussa-Huls AG

by assignment recorded December 20, 1999 Reel 10448 Frame 908.  
(Date)

6. ☒ Attached is the following number of Assignments (including original and all later successive ones by  
different assignors): 1 and respective new Cover Sheets. (Do **NOT** file old cover sheets.)

(Assignments in parent **must be refiled** with new Cover Sheets in this continuing application if you  
want it/them recorded against the continuing application.)

Please return the recorded Assignment to the undersigned.

☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP

(Name and Reg. No.)

whose current address is as in item 8 below.

a. ☒ Recognize as associate attorney Ann S. Hobbs, Reg. No. 36,830

(Name, Reg. No. and Address)

8. **Address all future communications to Intellectual Property Group  
of Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP, Ninth Floor, East Tower 1100 New York Avenue, N.W.,  
Washington, D.C. 20005-3918**

9. ☒ **Amend the specification** by inserting before the first line the sentence:-- This is a

☐ continuation ☒ division of Application No. 09/416,756, filed October 12, 1999  
series code  $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$  serial no. Now U.S. Patent 6,171,845

9. (a) ☐ **Amend the specification** by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of  
Provisional Application No. 60/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_ --

10. ☐ It has been recently determined that this new continuing application is entitled to small entity status.  
Hence:

(No.) Verified Statement(s) establishing "small entity" status under Rules 9 & 27 were/are:

☐ filed in above prior application (and hence applicable hereto)

☐ attached.

11. Petition to extend the life of the above prior application to at least the date hereof

(one box) ☐ is being concurrently filed in that prior application (Use Form PAT-111).

(must be) ☐ was previously filed in that prior application (Check length of prior extension).

(X'd) ☐ is not necessary for copendency (**Double check** before X'ing this box).

12. ☐ **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT:** Attached is Form PTO-1449 listing all of the documents cited by Applicant and the PTO in the parent application(s) relied upon under 35 USC 120 and referenced in item 9 above. Per Rule 98(d) copies of those documents are not required now. Please consider those documents and advise that they have been considered in this new application as by returning a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609. .
13. ☐ Attached is a Rule 103(a) Petition to Suspend Action.
14. ☒ **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT to be entered before fee calculation:** (Do not make amendments here except for correction of improper multiple dependencies or cancellation of whole claims or multiple dependencies for purpose of reducing the filing fee per MPEP §§ 506 and 607; do not cancel all claims).

Cancel claims 21-28.

### FILING FEE

THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON

-->-->--> CLAIMS AS FILED AND CHANGED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN ITEM 14 <--<--<--<

**NOTE:** If box 1A<sub>2</sub> is X'd, do not pay fees,  
but leave lines 15-22 and 27-32 blank.

**PTO: PLEASE NOTE CLAIM CANCELLATIONS IF BOX 14 ABOVE IS X'D.**

				Large/Small Entity		Fee Code
15. Basic Filing Fee . . . . . Design Application				\$320/\$160		106/26
16. Basic Filing Fee . . . . . Not Design Application				\$710/\$355	+710	101/201
17. Total Effective Claims	20	minus 20 =	0	x \$18/\$9	+0	103/203
18. Independent Claims	4	minus 3 =	1	x \$80/\$40	+80	102/202
19. If any proper multiple dependent claim (ignore improper) is present,				\$270/\$135	+0	104/204
20. Subtotal =					<b>\$790</b>	
21. If "petition" box 13 above is X'd, add petition fee. . . . . \$130					+0	122
21A. If box 6 above is X'd, add Assignment recording fee . . . . . \$ 40					+40	581
22. TOTAL FILING FEE ATTACHED =					<b>\$830</b>	

(carry forward to Item 31)

23. ☐ ATTACHED:
24. ☐ Preliminary Amendment attached (to be entered after assigning Appln. No.)
25. ☐ The following PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT is to be entered after assigning Appln. No.:

26.

**ADDITIONAL FEE CALCULATION FOR  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
PER BOXES 24/25**

	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Additional Fee	
					Large/Small Entity <span style="float: right;">File Code</span>
27.	Total Effective Claims *	minus ** 0	= 0 x \$18/\$9	= \$ 0	(103/203)
28.	Independent Claims *	minus *** 0	= 0 x \$80/\$40	= + 0	(102/202)
29.	If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for the first time, add (per application) . . . . . \$270/\$135			+ 0	(104/204)
30.	ADDITIONAL FEE			\$ 0	
31.	plus FEE from item 22 on page 3			+ 830	
32.	<b><u>TOTAL FEE ATTACHED</u></b>			<b><u>\$ 830</u></b>	

33. \*If the entry in this space is less than a entry in the next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0"

34. \*\*If the "Highest number previously paid for" (see item 17 above) is less than 20, write "20" in this space

35. If the "Highest number previously paid for" (see item 18 above) is less than 3, write "3" in this space

Our Deposit Account No. 03-3975

Our Order No. 21123	268418
C#	M#

**CHARGE STATEMENT:** Upon the filing of a Declaration pursuant to Rule 60(b) or 60(d), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any missing or insufficient fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (missing or insufficient fee only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting Official document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Account/Order Nos. shown above for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

**This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal form is filed.**

**Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP  
Intellectual Property Group**

1100 New York Avenue, NW  
Ninth Floor  
Washington, DC 20005-3918  
Tel: (202) 861-3000  
ASH/maf  
Atty./Sec.

By Atty: Ann S. Hobbs

Reg. No. 36830

Sig: 

Fax: (202) 822-0944

Tel: (202) 861-3063

**NOTE No. 1:** File this Request in duplicate with 2 postcard receipts (PAT-103) & attachments

**NOTE N . 2:** Is extension in parent necessary for copendency? DOUBLE CHECK Item 11 above.

If yes, printout Pat-111 and head it in parent.

# APPLICATION UNDER UNITED STATES PATENT LAWS

Atty. Dkt. No. PM 268418  
(M#)

Invention: Process for the Preparation of Panthothenic Acid by Amplification of Nucleotide Sequences which Code for Ketopantoate Reductase

Inventor (s): Frank ELISCHEWSKI, Jorn KALINOWSKI, Alfred PUHLER, Nicole DUSCH, Jorgen DOHMEN, Mike FARWICK, Georg THIERBACH

Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP  
Intellectual Property Group  
1100 New York Avenue, NW  
Ninth Floor  
Washington, DC 20005-3918  
Attorneys  
Telephone: (202) 861-3000

005007 07E08960

This is a:

- ☐ Provisional Application
- ☐ Regular Utility Application
- ☒ Continuing Application
  - ☒ The contents of the parent are incorporated by reference
- ☐ PCT National Phase Application
- ☐ Design Application
- ☐ Reissue Application
- ☐ Plant Application
- ☐ Substitute Specification
  - Sub. Spec Filed \_\_\_\_\_
  - in App. No. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Marked up Specification re
  - Sub. Spec. filed \_\_\_\_\_
  - In App. No \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

## SPECIFICATION